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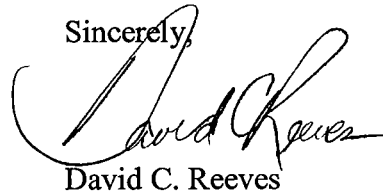
Surface Transportation Board
Case Control Unit
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001
Attention: Rini Ghosh

Re: STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 20X)
The Kansas City Southern Railway Company-- Abandonment Exemption
-- Line In Jefferson Parish, LA

Enclosed in response to the Environmental Assessment served June 9, 2006 in the captioned matter is a letter from the State of Louisiana's Department of Natural Resources, Office of Coastal Restoration and Management. The letter states that The Kansas City Southern Railway Company's ("KCSR's") planned abandonment of 0.71 miles of line in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, LA, is consistent with Louisiana's Coastal Resources Program. Accordingly, KCSR submits that the environmental condition recommended in the June 9 Environmental Assessment need not be imposed by the Board.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to call me at (202) 663-7824.

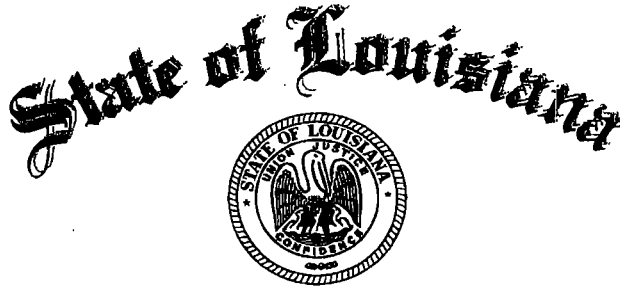
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David C. Reeves", is written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

David C. Reeves

Enclosures

cc: Ms. Victoria J. Rutson
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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF COASTAL RESTORATION AND MANAGEMENT

June 19, 2006

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RE: **C20060187**, Coastal Zone Consistency
Kansas City Southern Railway Company
Federal License or Permit
STB Docket No. AB-103 (Sub-No. 20X)
Abandonment of 0.71 miles of railroad track in Metairie, **Jefferson Parish, Louisiana**

Dear Mr. Reeves:

The above referenced project has been reviewed for consistency with the approved Louisiana Coastal Resources Program (LCRP) as required by Section 307 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. The project, as proposed in the application, is consistent with the LCRP.

If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact Jeff Harris of the Consistency Section at (225)342-7949 or 1-800-267-4019.

Sincerely,



Jim Rives
Acting Administrator

JR/jdh



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MESSAGE/COMMENTS:

Consistency authorization letter for railway abandonment in Metairie, Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

FROM: Jeff Harris
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